**WBCIR:20438**

**I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following EV-related information from Wokingham Council. Please may you provide me with:**

**1. Funding received**

**For each financial year since 2019/20, the total amount of funding your authority has received through EV infrastructure or charging schemes (if applicable), such as:**

**•             On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme (ORCS)** £173,500 in 2022/23

**•             Local EV Infrastructure (LEVI) Fund – Capital and/or Capability funding** Total LEVI Capability Fund to date: £397,620. Available to view at [https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-ev-infrastructure-levi-funding-amounts/local-ev-infrastructure-levi-capability-funding-amounts](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fpublications%2Flocal-ev-infrastructure-levi-funding-amounts%2Flocal-ev-infrastructure-levi-capability-funding-amounts&data=05%7C02%7CFrankie.Lawrence%40wokingham.gov.uk%7C940ad2a2f7c647aecbcf08ddf526f351%7C996ee15c0b3e4a6f8e65120a9a51821a%7C0%7C0%7C638936269843568045%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ayYEI%2FlCXs8bVZKMjWhuM94p7I3nTqDp%2BMabzEFSCng%3D&reserved=0). LEVI Capital Grant: £264,000. This was received earlier this year. Available to view at [https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-ev-infrastructure-levi-funding-amounts/local-electric-vehicle-infrastructure-levi-funding-amounts-capital](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fpublications%2Flocal-ev-infrastructure-levi-funding-amounts%2Flocal-electric-vehicle-infrastructure-levi-funding-amounts-capital&data=05%7C02%7CFrankie.Lawrence%40wokingham.gov.uk%7C940ad2a2f7c647aecbcf08ddf526f351%7C996ee15c0b3e4a6f8e65120a9a51821a%7C0%7C0%7C638936269843584440%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=JDfKF8x1DNW%2Fne7L%2F7Mc09GVVad3o3YJfhwNBA%2F5%2BFY%3D&reserved=0).

•             **Any other government or devolved nation funding scheme specifically for EV charging/infrastructure** N/A

**2. Expenditure**

**For each financial year since 2019/20, how much from each source of funding has been spent by your authority, and on what (for example: chargepoints installed, staff, planning, etc).** All ORCS funding has been spent. 44 charging sockets were installed across our borough using the ORCS grant and contributions from our Supplier – Flowbird/Opcharge. To view all available chargepoints within Wokingham Borough and beyond you can use Zapmap - [https://www.zap-map.com/live/](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.zap-map.com%2Flive%2F&data=05%7C02%7CFrankie.Lawrence%40wokingham.gov.uk%7C940ad2a2f7c647aecbcf08ddf526f351%7C996ee15c0b3e4a6f8e65120a9a51821a%7C0%7C0%7C638936269843599118%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=PHdbWoc1oIHO%2BHwfr38ZfyBopT540TaqMnUVH6tls5w%3D&reserved=0). Capability for the FY 22-23, 23-24 and 24-25 has been spent on developing our EV Charging Strategy ([https://www.myjourneywokingham.com/car-travel/electric-vehicles/](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.myjourneywokingham.com%2Fcar-travel%2Felectric-vehicles%2F&data=05%7C02%7CFrankie.Lawrence%40wokingham.gov.uk%7C940ad2a2f7c647aecbcf08ddf526f351%7C996ee15c0b3e4a6f8e65120a9a51821a%7C0%7C0%7C638936269843616723%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=I9%2F35heW2sni%2Bs2GUmmoeaQYBYeainTw2zCSsnL7jvk%3D&reserved=0)), delivering Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Projects (e.g. LEVI) and organising EV awareness events. In addition, a dedicated Berkshire LEVI Project Manager role has been funded from contributions of all 6 Berkshire Local Authorities.

**3. Current/planned allocations**

**•             Your authority’s budget allocation (if any) for EV charging infrastructure in the current financial year.** Only the LEVI grant mentioned above

**•             Whether your authority has been rejected by any EV charging infrastructure schemes/grants in the current financial year.** No

**•             Whether your authority has applied for, has plans to apply for, and/or has been allocated funding under the recently announced Electric Vehicle (EV) Pavement Channels Grant (2025–26)** We have been allocated £50,000 ([https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/electric-vehicle-ev-pavement-channels-grant-local-authority-allocations/electric-vehicle-ev-pavement-channels-grant-funding-amounts](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fpublications%2Felectric-vehicle-ev-pavement-channels-grant-local-authority-allocations%2Felectric-vehicle-ev-pavement-channels-grant-funding-amounts&data=05%7C02%7CFrankie.Lawrence%40wokingham.gov.uk%7C940ad2a2f7c647aecbcf08ddf526f351%7C996ee15c0b3e4a6f8e65120a9a51821a%7C0%7C0%7C638936269843634213%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=a40ioc7MsKFOoBLi%2FTi2b1WecmCeZW8Uoweue7p4ZT8%3D&reserved=0)). However, due to the challenges around liability and safety (<https://www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/news-and-press-releases/2025/electric-vehicle-revolution-hits-pavement-new-guidance-tackles-trip>) we are not considering trialling any cable gullies. Alternative cross-pavement solutions have been explored and a fully funded trial by an external supplier is currently being considered.

**4. Strategy**

**Whether your authority has a published EV infrastructure strategy or plan, and if so, please provide a link or copy.** Yes, [https://www.myjourneywokingham.com/car-travel/electric-vehicles/](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.myjourneywokingham.com%2Fcar-travel%2Felectric-vehicles%2F&data=05%7C02%7CFrankie.Lawrence%40wokingham.gov.uk%7C940ad2a2f7c647aecbcf08ddf526f351%7C996ee15c0b3e4a6f8e65120a9a51821a%7C0%7C0%7C638936269843648861%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=1efTNa88ygV3Vyfk6oY%2BkOjQF9ZssOCf7cuefkEKouQ%3D&reserved=0)